

COMMITTEE REPORT

MADAM PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Commerce, Public Policy and Interstate Cooperation, to which was referred House Bill No. 1603, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Page 1, between lines 7 and 8, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 2 "SECTION 2. IC 16-32-3-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
- 3 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
- 4 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: **Sec. 1.5. As used in this chapter,**
- 5 **"service animal" refers to an animal trained as:**
- 6 **(1) a hearing animal;**
- 7 **(2) a guide animal;**
- 8 **(3) an assistance animal;**
- 9 **(4) a seizure alert animal;**
- 10 **(5) a mobility animal;**
- 11 **(6) a psychiatric service animal; or**
- 12 **(7) an autism service animal."**
- 13 Page 2, line 7, strike "guide".
- 14 Page 2, line 7, after "dog," insert "**service**".
- 15 Page 2, line 9, strike "guide".
- 16 Page 2, line 9, after "dog." insert "**service**".
- 17 Page 2, line 11, after "dog." insert "**service**".
- 18 Page 2, line 16, after "physical" insert "**or mental**".
- 19 Page 2, line 17, strike "guide".
- 20 Page 2, line 17, after "dog" insert "**service**".
- 21 Page 2, line 18, strike "guide" and insert "**service**".

- 1 Page 2, line 19, strike "guide".
- 2 Page 2, line 19, after "dog," insert "**service**".
- 3 Page 2, between lines 20 and 21, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 4 "SECTION 4. IC 16-32-3-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 5 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009]: Sec. 3. (a) A person not
- 6 totally blind who:
- 7 (1) approaches a totally or partially blind pedestrian carrying a
- 8 cane predominantly white or metallic in color, with or without a
- 9 red tip, or using a ~~guide dog~~; **service animal**; and
- 10 (2) fails to take all necessary precautions to avoid injury to the
- 11 blind pedestrian;
- 12 commits a Class C infraction.
- 13 (b) A person not totally or partially blind who carries, in a public
- 14 place, a cane or walking stick that is white and tipped with red commits
- 15 a Class C infraction."
- 16 Page 2, between lines 33 and 34, begin a new paragraph and insert:
- 17 "SECTION 6. IC 22-9-5-9.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 18 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
- 19 1, 2009]: **Sec. 9.5. As used in this chapter, "service animal" refers**
- 20 **to an animal trained as:**
- 21 **(1) a hearing animal;**
- 22 **(2) a guide animal;**
- 23 **(3) an assistance animal;**
- 24 **(4) a seizure alert animal;**
- 25 **(5) a mobility animal;**
- 26 **(6) a psychiatric service animal; or**
- 27 **(7) an autism service animal."**
- 28 Page 3, line 34, delete "a:" and insert "**a service animal**".
- 29 Page 3, delete lines 35 through 37.
- 30 Page 3, line 39, delete "a:" and insert "**a service animal**".

- 1 Page 3, delete lines 40 through 42.
- 2 Page 3, run in line 39 through page 4, line 1.
- 3 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
(Reference is to HB 1603 as reprinted February 20, 2009.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass .

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0.

Senator Alting, Chairperson